



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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EXCHANGE RESINS

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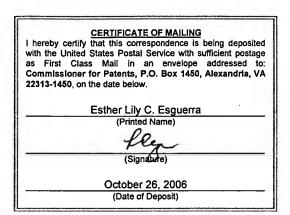
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed on September 26, 2006. Restriction has been imposed. We elect to prosecute claims 1-30 which make up Group I, at this time.

Also submitted are the Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 CFR §1.56 and Form PTO-1449 including references for the above-identified application

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0872.

Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 50-0872.

Respectfully submitted,

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